

**HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-28012-2015
Date of decision:24.8.2015**

Manohar Lal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK

1. To be referred to the Reporters or not ?
2. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest ?

Present: Mr.A.S.Gill, Advocate for the petitioner.

RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK, J. (Oral)

Petitioner seeks pre-arrest bail in FIR No.98 dated 14.6.2015 registered under Section 380 of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station Division No.7, Jalandhar City.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case only for the reason that he appeared as a witness in a civil suit filed by his co-accused Surjit Kaur. The allegations against the petitioner are highly improbable. It does not appeal to reason that the complainant would not take the immediate action after coming to know about the alleged misdeeds of the petitioner. The inordinate long delay in registration of the FIR has gone totally unexplained. He prays for allowing the present petition.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner at considerable length, after careful perusal of the record of the case and giving thoughtful consideration to the contentions raised, this Court is of the considered opinion that petitioner has not been found entitled for the concession of anticipatory bail. It is so said because petitioner is the main accused. The allegations are direct and serious.

In view of the above and without commenting anything further on the merits of the case at this stage, lest it should prejudice the rights of either of the parties, this Court is of the considered view that custodial interrogation of the petitioner would be a compulsive necessity of the investigating agency, so as to carry out an effective investigation. No case for anticipatory bail is made out.

Dismissed.

24.8.2015
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(RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK)
JUDGE